

# Historical and Cultural Affairs

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## News

### One-teacher Millsboro schoolhouse listed in the National Register of Historic Places

Built in 1897, the Godwin School once educated up to 30 students per year.

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Exterior of the Godwin School

### Division to sponsor 12 special events during August 2018

Film screenings, and programs on Sherlock Holmes, George M. Cohan and Irving Berlin to be featured.

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### Three new employees join the division

New staff at the Zwaanendael Museum and on the Preservation Maintenance Team

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### Division welcomes social-media intern

Emmitt Best is working to engage residents and visitors in Delaware history.

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### "Lost Off Lewes: The British Warship DeBraak"

Tours explore the surviving hull section of an 18th-century shipwreck.

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# Help Save Delaware History

**Narcissists? Nope, we Delawareans are just rightly proud of our history**

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—July 11, 2018

Op-ed by division director Tim Slavin

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**Lenape Indian Tribe looks to reclaim historic Delaware land, establish sovereignty**

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—July 16, 2018

Tribe hoped to have cemetery and church on the site added to the National Register of Historic Places.

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**Rockwood restores rare gas house**

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.—June 25, 2018

Structure used to make acetylene gas for lamps in the historic Wilmington mansion.

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## Media Roundup

The following Delaware history-related articles have recently appeared in the media:

[Zwaanendael Museum Wins Award](#)

WRDE TV, Lewes, Del., July 20, 2018

Coastal Magazine names site its 2018 best museum in Sussex County.

[WV Travel Team: 2 Days, 1 Night in a Little Town by the Sea](#)

Gazette-Mail, Charleston, W.Va., July 13, 2018

Article on Lewes, Del. includes information on the Zwaanendael Museum.

[Delaware is narcissistic about its history, study claims, more than most other states](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—July 5, 2018

Study found that Delawareans believed, on average, that their state helped create 33 percent of the nation's history.

[The story of how Delaware got its shape](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—July 5, 2018

Article on Delaware's unusual boundaries

[Senate resolution recognizes museum alliance accreditation](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—June 29, 2018

Resolution recognizes the division's accreditation by the American Alliance of Museums.

[Caesar Who? The Founding Father You've Probably Never Heard Of](#)

The History Channel, New York, N.Y.—June 28, 2017

Article on Delaware's Caesar Rodney

[Dig deeper into our country's past at Fort Christina](#)

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.—June 27, 2018

Site was the location of the first permanent European settlement in the Delaware Valley.

[The South's Most Beautiful Chapels](#)

Southern Living, Birmingham, Ala.

Article includes item on Prince George's Chapel in Dagsboro, Del.

## Articles on new exhibit at Zwaanendael Museum

"Delaware Railroads: Elegant Travel and Timely Transport" opened on July 7, 2018

[Clickety-clack: Travel on Delaware's railroads](#)

Smyrna-Clayton Sun-Times, Del.—July 23, 2018

[Zwaanendael Museum Replaces Maritime Exhibit with "Delaware Railroads"](#)

WBOC TV, Salisbury, Md.—July 6, 2018

## Articles on John Dickinson

Patriot played a major role in the creation of the United States.

[Why Patriot Didn't Sign Declaration of Independence](#)

Real Clear History, online publication—July 4, 2018

[John Dickinson: Delaware's - and America's - unsung superhero](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—July 3, 2018

[The Constitution was built on a Delawarean's skill at compromise](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—June 28, 2018

## Events

### Wednesday, Aug. 1

[159th Anniversary](#) – Fenwick Island Lighthouse

[Hale-Byrnes Open House](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

**Wednesdays, Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29; Saturdays, Aug. 4, 11, 18 and 25; and Mondays, Aug. 6, 13, 20 and 27**

[East End Lighthouse Tour](#) – Delaware Breakwater-East End Lighthouse

**Thursdays, Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30; and Saturday, Aug. 25**

[Lost Off Lewes: The British Warship DeBraak](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

### Saturday, Aug. 4

[Medicine Through the Wars: The Evolution of American Wartime Medicine](#) – The Old State House

[Sound, Stage, and Screen](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

[Movie Night on the Lawn](#) – Buena Vista

### Tuesday, Aug. 7

[National Lighthouse Day](#) – Fenwick Island Lighthouse

### Thursday, Aug. 9

[Straws](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

### Saturday, Aug. 11

[Demonstrations by the Thistledown Fiber Arts Guild](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

[Lord Dunmore's War: Last Conflict of America's Colonial Era](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

### Sunday, Aug. 12

[Route 9](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

**Saturday, Aug. 18**

[The Empty Glass: Sherlock Holmes Comes to Dover](#) – The Old State House

[Running of the Mill](#) – Abbott's Mill Nature Center

For a comprehensive, long-term calendar of division-sponsored events, [go here](#).

## Exhibits and Displays

### Ongoing

[Delaware Railroads: Elegant Travel and Timely Transport](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Drawing America to Victory](#) – Online

[Five Stories](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

[Letters From a Farmer in Pennsylvania](#) – Online

[New Castle: Three Forts, One Community](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[The Old State House: A True Restoration 1976–2016](#) – The Old State House

[Rose Color to Gold to Glowing Red: Orville and Ethel Peets in Paris 1913-1914](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Sculpture by Charles Parks](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[A Seaborne Citizenry: The DeBraak and Its Atlantic World](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Simple Machines](#) – John Dickinson Plantation



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